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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, and 28 and amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A payload isolation system for isolating a payload from a base structure upon which the payload is supported, the payload isolation system comprising:

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